

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace paragraph [001] with the following:

[001] This application claims priority of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/451,054 filed February 28, 2003, which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety. Further, this application is related to U.S. Patent Application No. _____ (~~Attorney Docket No. 06502.0565-00000~~) 10/787,217, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PROVIDING A STORAGE VIRTUALIZATION ENVIRONMENT," and filed concurrently herewith, U.S. Patent Application No. _____ (~~Attorney Docket No. 06502.0568-00000~~) 10/787,320, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PROVIDING SNAPSHOT CAPABILITIES IN A STORAGE VIRTUALIZATION ENVIRONMENT," and filed concurrently herewith, U.S. Patent Application No. _____ (~~Attorney Docket No. 06502.0569-00000~~) 10/787,322, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR DYNAMICALLY UPDATING A VIRTUAL VOLUME IN A STORAGE VIRTUALIZATION ENVIRONMENT," and filed concurrently herewith, U.S. Patent Application No. _____ (~~Attorney Docket No. 06502.0571-00000~~) 10/787,324, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR CONFIGURING A STORAGE VIRTUALIZATION ENVIRONMENT," and filed concurrently herewith, and U.S. Patent Application No. _____ (~~Attorney Docket No. 06502.0572-00000~~) 10/787,323, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PROVIDING A MULTI-PATH NETWORK SWITCH SYSTEM," and filed concurrently herewith, and all of which are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.